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LAUNCH AREA NO 2

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AKTYUBINSK IRBM COMPLEX, USSR Launch Area no 2

*Launch Area No 1 (TDI name: Karakhobda IRBM Launch Site 1) -- Type IV 49-57-45N 56-51-15E BE No

Launch Area No 2 (TDI name: Petrovskiy IRBM Launch Site 1) -- Type IV 50-00-30N 56-58-15E BE No

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*Incomplete, with construction suspended.

This report supplements NPIC/R-207/64, 1/ which discusses the Aktyubinsk IRBM Complex, consisting of 2 Type IV IRBM launch areas, 1 with construction suspended and the other recently completed, and an associated rail-to-road transfer point.

Launch Area No 2 is situated in a rolling, somewhat barren area 18.3 nautical miles (nm) southwest of Aktyubinsk and 7.1 nm southwest of Petrovskiy, in the Kazakh SSR (Figure 1).

Launch Area No 1 was first observed in

and was not present in In the site was considered to be in an early stage of construction; subsequent coverage of the area indicates that the site has remained in substantially the same status of construction. Launch Area No 2 was first observed in present in In Launch Area

No 2 was considered to be complete. Launch Area No 2 is located $5.2\ \mathrm{nm}$ northeast of the incomplete launch area.

The launch site (Figures 2 and 3) is surrounded by triple fence security, with a fourth fence under construction. It is road served.

For some unknown reason the tanks over the

silos are conspicuously larger than the remaining 4. Three buildings and an unidentified mound are located on the northern side of the site. Located in the northwestern corner of the site is an enclosed area which may be a motor pool, although no vehicles are discernible. Within the first security fence and surrounding the launch silos are open ditches, the purpose of which has not been determined. Mission

reveals unidentifiable construction activity on the west side of the launch site.

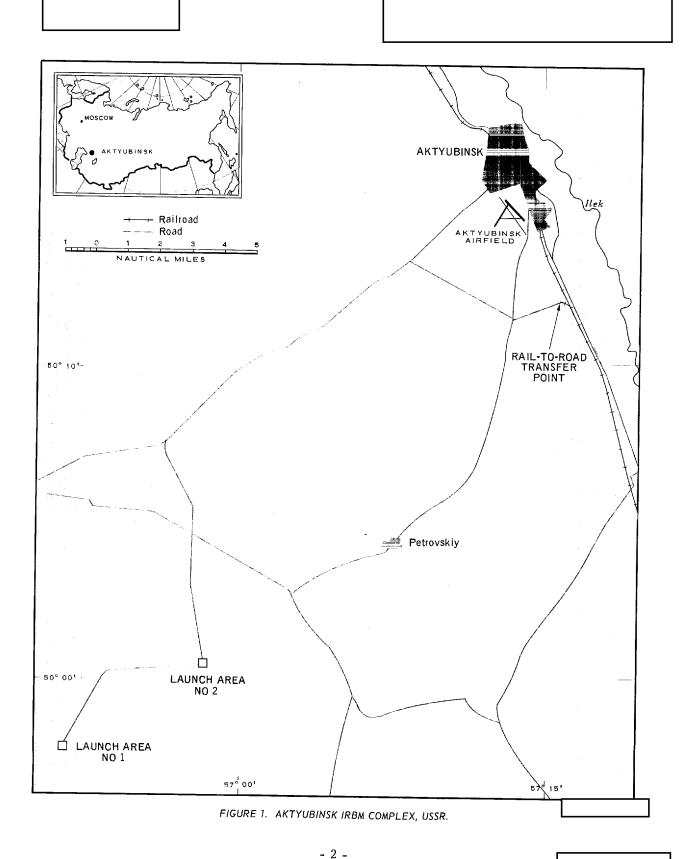
The site support facility is enclosed by single fence security and is road served. To the west of this area is an athletic field with an unidentified tower at the south end. A nearby possible tent camp, shown in Figure 2, has been removed.

There is a rail-to-road transfer point located approximately 2.7 nm southeast of the Aktyubinsk Airfield. It consists of several large storage sheds served by a rail spur and a hard-surfaced highway.

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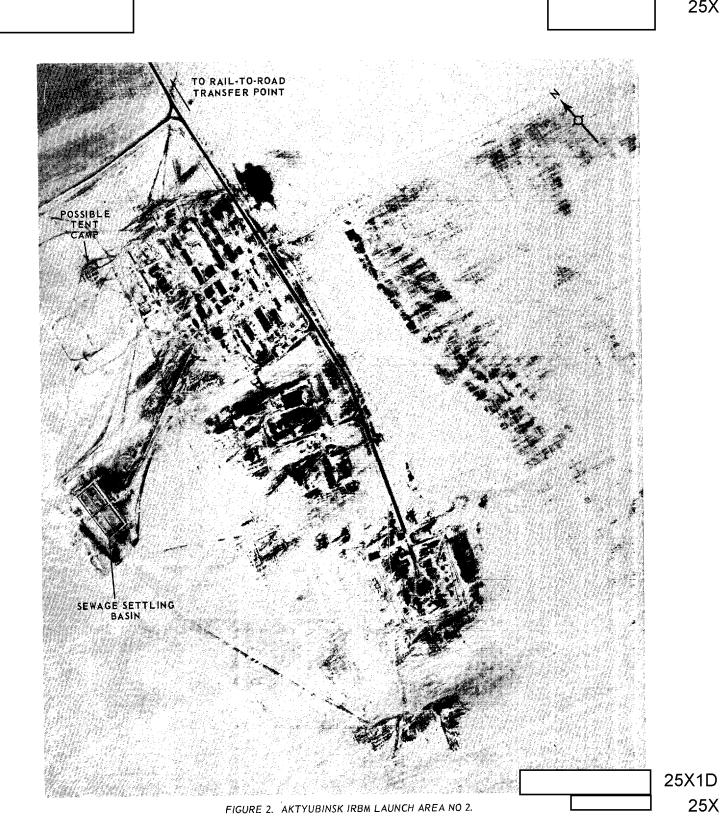


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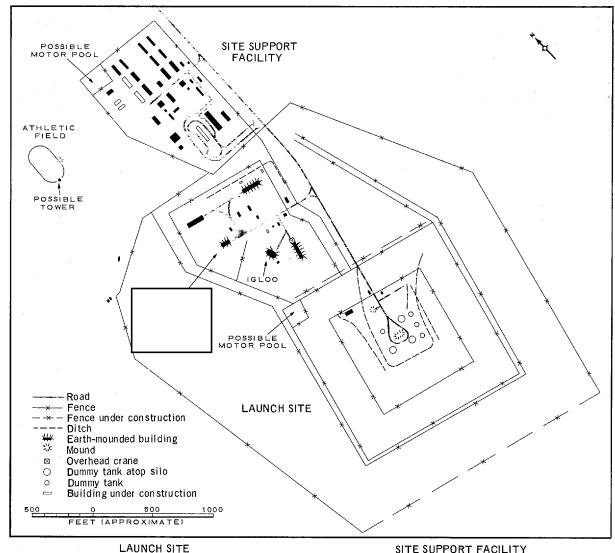


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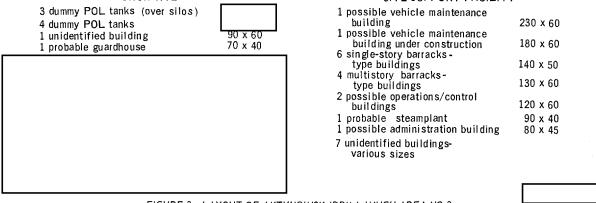


FIGURE 3. LAYOUT OF AKTYUBINSK IRBM LAUNCH AREA NO 2.

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